

SENIOR NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2015
MUNICIPAL AGENT FOR THE ELDERLY/SENIOR SOCIAL SERVICES
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MONDAY – FRIDAY Hours: 9 AM to 2 PM
OUTREACH PAM HEALY 203 261-0289

Dear Friends,

I cannot believe that another year has come to an end and a new one is beginning! This is the time for resolutions and I have a few both personally and professionally and hope to achieve them especially where it concerns the seniors in town. I *resolve* to help any senior in need and please do not hesitate to call me with any sort of question you might have or problem you need to solved. In fact, I got such a call the other day from a senior concerned about a packet she received from the U.S. Department of Commerce regarding a Census Survey. I looked into it for her and found out, after talking to a very helpful government worker, that in fact it was legitimate and her address was randomly selected from 286,000 addresses across the U.S. The information that they are requesting helps the various departments of the Government (like HUD, Social Security etc.) with statistics and it is NOT a scam. This is the sort of thing that I am happy to help any of you with, so please do not hesitate to call my office!

Best wishes for a happy and healthy new year!

Bereavement Support Group

Our second meeting took place during the day at the ESC and despite the varying schedules and holiday chaos we had a group of four. There was lots of discussion, support and sharing of ideas which is exactly what I was hoping for! **Please call me at 203-268-1137 if you are interested in joining us.**

Fuel Assistance

Fuel Assistance applications can continue to be submitted and for those who have applied deliveries will start after November 12th. Please call my office **203-268-1137** with any questions you may have or, to make an appointment to fill out an application.

Internal Revenue Service Scams

I received a call from a senior in town who said he had gotten a call from the **Internal Revenue Service/IRS** (or someone claiming to be from the IRS). **DO NOT PICK UP THIS CALL, RETURN THE CALL or SPEAK TO THE PERSON ON THE PHONE** the **IRS** only contacts people via mail. Thank you for bringing this to my attention so that I could share it with all of you.

Please, call Pam Healy to arrange a visit. She is a caring listener, and has valuable information about the social services programs and resources available to you. As your **Easton Outreach Visitor**, Pam is available to you with just a phone call 203-261-0289.

Happy New Year